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In Re: Patent Application of : Group Art Unit: 1621
Cristina Blanco Fernandez, et al. :
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R(-)- AND S(+)-5-[2-[[2-(2- : No.: 9256-23US (003/PCT/05-V)
ETHOXYPHENOXY)ETHYL]AMINO] :
PROPYL]-2- :
METHOXYBENZENESULFONAMIDE :
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AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 30, 2005 (Paper No. 03202005, hereinafter referred to as "the Office Action"), in the above-referenced application. This response is being timely filed as a simultaneous petition for a three month extension of time, up to and including September 30, 2005, including an authorization to charge fees, is being submitted herewith.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this response. Remarks begin on page 9 on this response.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration by the Examiner in view of the following.